

Antlers, Junior Elks, Lend Aid To Goodfellows Drive

Make Contribution of \$10 Out of Funds To Help Cause.

LADIES GET BUSY

Prepare To Send Santa Claus Into Every Home In This Section.

Mark Smyth, who, with Kendall Lemley, each year looks after the organization of a Goodfellows club in Hope, is thoroughly convinced that Hope boasts more big-hearted, generous souls than any other place in the world and is not at all backward in saying so.

This morning he was checking up on Goodfellows receipts to see if there was sufficient funds carry on and to appeal to those who haven't contributed to do so now that the ladies may have a little time in which to do their allotted in this most pleasant of duties.

While he was so engaged he was handed a check for ten dollars from the Antlers, Junior order of E. P. O. Elks, which sum was voted at the meeting of the youngsters last night. Mr. Smyth knows these young Elks and appreciates the financial difficulties many a young order has in getting on its feet. He looked at that check and quietly remarked: "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he. These boys are right and I just hope for them they find as much pleasure this Christmas as they have helped in bringing in others."

The list of youngsters handed in to Mrs. Arch Moore keeps growing and the Goodfellows expect to see that every one is cared for. The collection this year has been greater than in any preceding campaign—but the number of those to be aided has more than doubled over last Christmas.

If you haven't yet contributed your mite, hand to either of the solicitors or drop in and leave at Star office. And if you know of any needy child, (Continued on page three)

Say Missing Man Seen Yesterday

Little Rock Detectives Find Car Belonging To Alix Coal Operator.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Chief Detectives J. A. Pitcock said here today that Harley Milton, 24-year-old missing Alix coal operator for whom a wide-spread search has been conducted, was seen in a Little Rock hotel yesterday by Steve Turner, Ozark, Ark., bank official.

Little Rock officers, asked to aid in the search, found Milton's auto in the downtown section yesterday. A buckskin jacket and a rain coat found in the car bore no bloodstains Major Pitcock said and the interior of the car offered no evidence of a struggle.

Finding a Milton's blood-stained hat on the highway near Alix caused officers to fear he had met with foul play and a wide search was instituted.

Two Escape Injury In Frightening Car Crash

QUINTER, Kas., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Nearing a railroad crossing at Ogallala, Hiram Joy and his wife saw a train, a motor bus and another car approaching. To avoid the bus, Joy steered to one side, struck a telephone pole. His car turned over, landing on the railroad track. The gasoline tank exploded, setting fire to the car.

One passenger from the other motor car ran down the track, flagged the train, while the others rushed to the wreckage of the burning car and rescued Mr. and Mrs. Joy. The train came to a stop a few feet from the automobile.

Joy and his wife escaped serious injury.

K. U. Fraternity House Profitable To Burglars

LAWRENCE, Kas., Dec. 18.—(AP)—With four burglaries reported within a period of ten days, fraternity and sorority houses on the Kansas University campus are having a hard winter.

Lee Page, football player and member of Delta Upsilon fraternity, who is a self-supporting student, lost \$12 in the latest raid. Other rooms in the house yielded \$34.

Alpha Omicron 14, Pi Beta Phi and Chi Omega sororities also reported thefts.

To Find Homes for 25 Babies On Christmas Eve

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The 3500-mile route of the daring, non-stop "flight of patriotism" by which Maj. Tadeo Larre-Borges, upper left, hoped to fulfill a long-held dream of linking his native Uruguay with the Spanish motherland, is shown on the map above. With Lieut. Leon Challes, lower right, noted French aviator, he took off in a Greguet biplane from Seville, intending to skirt the northwestern shores of Africa, then head out across the Atlantic, pick up the South America continent near Natal, Brazil, and follow the coastline to Montevideo, capital of Uruguay.

Plan University Club In This City

Dr. Brough Coming Friday To Assist In Perfecting Organization.

Dr. Charles H. Brough, former governor of Arkansas, will be in Hope Friday, December 20, for the purpose of organizing a University of Arkansas Club and addressing civil organizations.

All former men and women students of the University of Arkansas are urged to meet in the city hall at 3:30 for a short time Friday, and assist Dr. Brough in organizing a club for Hemphstead county. This applies to all persons who have done any regular or correspondence work with the University.

There will be no financial obligations attached to the membership of such an organization. The purpose of the club will be to properly encourage special and high school students to take advantage of the many opportunities which are being offered by the State University.

Many such clubs have been organized all over the state with gratifying results, and it is believed that very creditable club will be organized here. It is urged that all former University of Arkansas students in Hemphstead county be present and help in making the proposed club one of the best in the state.

Dr. Brough will have a very busy day here. He will address a joint meeting of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs at noon, the high school students at 2:30, will organize the University of Arkansas club at 3:30, and will be the principal speaker at the Wesley Bible class banquet in the Methodist church Friday evening at seven o'clock.

Road To Prescott Is Opened Again

Will Finish Part Under Construction In Few Days Is Report.

The road Hope to Prescott is open today, according to announcement by the Highway Department here, and will continue to be used until bad weather makes its closing again necessary.

The road is yet unfinished and is only thrown open to accommodate the traveling public. It will require at least ten working days to complete construction, and that means ten days of good working weather. Surfacing has been ready to go on any time, but weather conditions for the past two or three weeks has prevented.

Kiwanis and Rotary In Joint Gathering

Rotary and Kiwanis clubs will have a joint meeting at Hotel Barlow Friday, December 20, at 12:30 o'clock. George Ware presiding over the meeting.

Feature of the joint gathering will be an address by Former Governor Brough who will be in the city that day. The meeting will serve as the usual weekly gathering of the two clubs.

Recover Bodies of 57 In Disaster In Oklahoma Mine

Explosion Entombs 62 and Fate of Others Is Unknown.

RESCUERS FIGHT GAS

Get Ventilation In Shafts Before Can Go On With Work.

McALESTER, Okla., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Fifty-seven bodies had been recovered at noon today from the Old Town Coal Co.'s mine in North McAlester, where 62 miners were imprisoned yesterday by an explosion. Search was being continued in an effort to recover the bodies. Five more were recovered from No. 6 west entry after three hours had been spent in restoring ventilation so rescue crews could go on with their work.

Frequent cave-ins had to be dug through by rescuers in their search for the explosion victims. The bodies of those recovered were bruised and burned and identification was not immediately possible.

Ten miners are unaccounted for but the discovery of the last five bodies led to belief the remaining few would be found during the day.

The 57 bodies recovered are in a McAlester morgue awaiting funeral arrangements.

Hamilton Plans Modern Station

Purchases Property At 16th and Main for Filling Station.

Claud Hamilton, owner of 556 Service Station here, has completed plans for the erection of a modern service station at the corner of Sixteenth and Main streets on property recently purchased from A. L. Black.

The location seems an ideal for a plant of this kind and plans for the structure as approved by Mr. Hamilton, indicate it will be thoroughly modern, adding to the rather attractive appearance of the south end of town.

F. J. Hill Reported To Be Gravely Ill

Frank J. Hill, of Hope, is reported seriously ill at Texarkana, where he underwent an operation Tuesday. The operation was performed by his uncle, Dr. Beck, at the Pine Street Sanatorium. His condition was reported worse last night and his brother, F. V. Hill, also of this city, was summoned to his bedside.



MARLEY'S GHOST

Marley was dead, to begin with. There is no doubt whatever about that. The register of his burial was signed by the clergyman, the clerk, the undertaker, and the chief mourner. Scrooge signed it. And Scrooge's name was good upon Change for anything he chose to put his hand to. Old Marley was as dead as a door-nail.

Mind! I don't mean to say that I know of my own knowledge, what there is particularly dead about a door-nail. I might have been inclined, myself, to regard a coffin-nail as the deadest piece of ironmongery in the trade. But the wisdom of our ancestors is in the simile; and my unhallowed hands shall not disturb it, or the country's done for. You will, therefore, permit me to repeat, emphatically, that Marley was as dead as a door-nail.

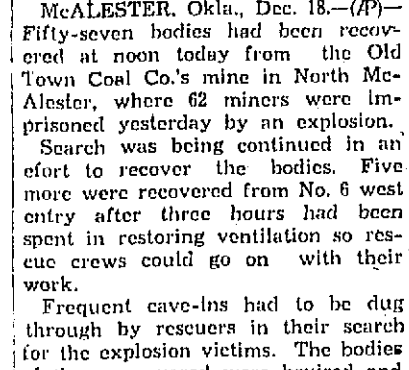
Scrooge knew he was dead? Of course he did. How could it be otherwise? Scrooge and he were partners for I don't know how many years. Scrooge was his sole executor, his sole administrator, his sole assign, his sole residuary legatee, his sole friend, and sole mourner. And even Scrooge was not so dreadfully cut up by the sad event but that he was an excellent man of business on the very day of the funeral and solemnized it with an undoubted bargain.

The mention of Marley's funeral brings me back to the point I started from. There is no doubt that Marley was dead. This must be distinctly understood, or nothing wonderful can come of the story I am going to relate. If we were not perfectly convinced that Hamlet's father died before the play began, there would be nothing remarkable in his taking a stroll at night in an easterly wind, upon his own ramparts, than there would be in any other middle-aged gentleman rashly turning out after dark in a breezy spot—say St. Paul's Churchyard, for instance—literally to astonish his son's weak mind.

Scrooge never pointed out Old Marley's name. There it stood, years after-

Poor One Day, Rich the Next

Story-book miracles really happen. If you ask Cecil La Costa, above, of Los Angeles, who was lifted overnight from a dreary life of drudgery as a clothes presser to the position of a wealthy heiress. An uncle she had never seen, and whose existence she had all but forgotten, left her \$130,000.



Blank Poll Tax Receipts Mailed

May Be Issued Beginning January 6, Attorney General Holds.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 18.—Coinciding with the mailing yesterday of blank poll tax receipts for 1930 to county collectors by State Auditor J. Oscar Humphrey, Attorney General Hal L. Norwood issued an opinion holding that county tax collectors may issue the new receipts on and after the first Monday in January, which will be January 6.

The opinion was given in response to an inquiry as to whether collectors may issue the new receipts before the third Monday in January. The attorney general said reference to the latter date in an act of 1928 authorizing collectors to collect all taxes at the county seats between that date and April 10, did not affect an older statute which provides that poll taxes may be paid any time between the first Monday in January and the Saturday preceding the first Monday in July.

The attorney general said emergency poll tax receipts issued during 1929 to persons who failed to assess and pay poll taxes at the time prescribed by law will expire December 31. These "artificial" or "synthetic" poll tax receipts, as they were variously designated, were issued on authority of an opinion issued by the attorney general to enable residents to comply with an (Continued on page three)

West Virginian Runs Amuck and Kills Three Men

Uses Shotgun In Plan To Even Up Old Scores With Enemies

SUBMITS TO ARREST

Spirited Away To Escape Mob Justice At Hands Of Angry Citizens

ROMNEY, W. Va., Dec. 18.—(AP)—Three persons were killed and three others injured by a liquor-crazed man who visited at the homes of the three early today and shot his victims to death with a shotgun. A Justice of the Peace, the county jailer, and another man were slain, while an 11-year-old girl and two women were injured.

One of the men, Asa Woolford, was slain as he sat by the bedside of a father who was ill. County jailer Ben Miller, 55, was shot down at the jail where he had his home. He was practically decapitated by the charge from the shotgun.

Slayer Just Released

Walter Curbree, 35, was arrested as the slayer an hour after the crazed man had walked through the streets, dealing out death to those listed as his enemies.

Curbree had just completed a six months jail sentence, imposed for possession of liquor. County authorities said that a list of names found in his possession is believed to have been a list of those marked for death.

Feeling Intense

Feeling of the citizens of the town against Curbree was so intense that he was removed to Keyser, in an adjoining county, for safe keeping.

Romney police notified B. E. Ranin, prosecuting attorney of Mineral county at Keyser, they feared mob violence against the man and warned him to protect the prisoner.

According to advices received here, Ranin advised with Governor Conley, at Charleston, relative to the situation, and is said to have requested aid from the state to prevent mob violence.

DEG PARDON, MR. TURNER

In Star's report of Tuesday touching contributions to Goodfellows, the copy desk man, supposed to be "fool proof," pulled the usual "bone" and omitted the name of Eric Turner, who has been with Star since the consolidation of the Star and Press.

Should you be curious, we may suggest we were told about it in manner most forcible and this is just by way of making amends.

Beg pardon, Mr. Turner. It won't happen again. And next year, when the annual drive starts, may your name, like Abou Ben Adrams, "lead all the rest."

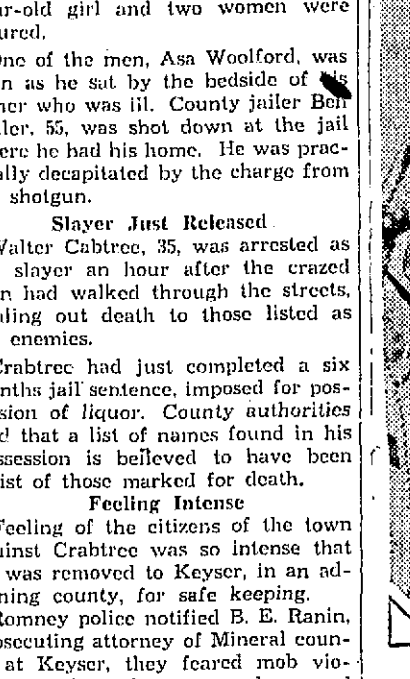
"Mystery Man" On Witness Stand

Parachute Queen

Relates Story of His Love Affair With Mountain Lass.

DENIES HE IS DEAD

Tells Story of Wandering Since Night Supposed Tortured.



COURTHOUSE, Mountain View, Dec. 18.—(AP)—The "mystery man" of the Connie Franklin murder case took the stand today and testified that he was himself the "Connie Franklin" whom four men are on trial for murdering.

He described his arrival in the St. James community last January, staying the first night at G. H. Greenway's home. Greenway is the father of Herman Greenway, one of the defendants. His first job, he said, was with Joe White, another defendant, and he next worked with Herman Greenway.

Officers Capture Still Operators

Surprise Trio of Negroes In Act of Making Run of Shine.

Officers Lawless and Booker Tuesday afternoon eased out of town in the Sprudell community and in the course of their wandering came upon Sam Oaks, James Ford and Jim Burdick paying strict attention to their business which happened to be, just at that time, converting five barrels of mash into moonshine likker.

The officers approached to within a few feet of the men before they were discovered, but there was no attempt at flight.

The still was an oil-barrel affair, boasting a new and shiny copper worm. About one and one-half gallons of the distillate were seized and brought in with the men, all of whom were held under bond to await action by the grand jury.

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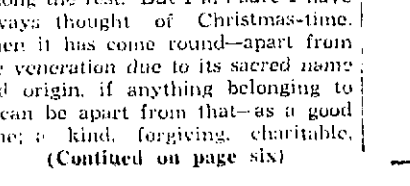
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6 Shopping Days to Christmas!



Mercury Tumbles To New Low Level

Year's Worst Blizzard Moves In Last Night With Colder to Come.

LITTLE ROCK, Dec. 18.—(AP)—Chilling winds from out of the north sent the mercury tumbling to new lows throughout Arkansas last night, with little prospect of warmer and with a predicted sub-zero temperature in the northern portion today and tonight.

A cold wave, increasing in severity, is promised by the weather man and will send the mercury as low and below zero. Drops of from 35 to 45 degrees were reported from several places over the state last night. Temperatures are slowly slipping down today with new low levels expected tonight.

Texarkana suffered one of the most severe drops in temperature in her history when the mercury tumbled from 65 last yesterday to 21 early today. The season's record of 12, made in the recent cold snap, was due to be broken by tonight according to forecasts.

Fayetteville reported a drop of 45 degrees, from 69 to 15, while Fort Smith registered a low of 20 and Little Rock 35.

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"I heard Market Tree officers were looking for me" he told attaches of the sheriff's office. "They were at my place yesterday and I was not at home so here I am."

Lewis said he was at home the night the woman was supposed to have been killed and that he had simply evidence to establish that fact to the satisfaction of any one.

Nun-Scientist To Give Address At Convention

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 18.—A black robed nun, Sister Mary Ellen, who is credited with notable discoveries in the spore germination of five species of liverworts, will be among the outstanding women scientists who will come here Dec. 27 for the eight-day convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Sister Ellen, a native Iowan and head of the biology department of Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., will read a paper on "Development of the gametophyte, marichantia fluminigensis, and some of its congeners."

The nun, a graduate of the University of Chicago, has won renown for her work with green algae.

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The Star's Platform

CITY

Apply the revenues of the municipal power plant to develop the industrial and social resources of Hope.
More city pavement in 1930, and improved sanitary conditions in the alleys and business back-yards.
Support the Chamber of Commerce.

COUNTY

A county highway program providing for the construction of a minimum amount of all-weather road each year, to gradually reduce the dirt road mileage.
Political and economic support for every scientific agricultural program which offers practical benefits to Hempstead county's greatest industry.
Encourage farmer organizations, believing that co-operative effort is as practical in the country as it is in town.

STATE

Continued progress on the state highway program.
Fearless tax reform, and a more efficient government through the budget system of expenditures.
Free Arkansas from the cattle tick.

Newspapers, and the Canadian Trust

PUBLISHERS and business managers of America's largest newspapers met in the East early this month to protest against Canada's threatened increase in the price of paper. It was not so much the additional \$5 per ton that the publishers resisted, but the disclosure that the Canadian newspaper manufacturers have pooled their interests in a trust, and that the British Crown is aiding the conspiracy by denying public land rights to mill owners who refuse to join the trust.

As disclosed to the American Newspaper Publishers association at its executive meeting this month, the Canadian paper companies are now in the hands of a so-called Newsprint Institute, which has the political backing of Canada's English government, and which advises the mills both as to production and price.

Where the newspapers in the United States consider themselves outraged, is due to the report that the Canadian mills are selling paper in Australia, England and other British territory delivered for less than the price at the mill to American newspapers just across the border.

The American press is objecting to two things: First, the British policy of favoring countries under their flag; and second, the attempt to make all of the Canadian mills, weak or strong, show a profit. It was for this latter purpose that the Newsprint Institute was probably organized, and in this respect is no different from the first industrial trusts in the United States. However, it is unlikely that the United States, which bars trusts inside its borders, will permit such a flagrant restraint of trade next door without retaliating.

The issue is of general interest to newspaper readers, since it may have a direct bearing on the future tariff rates on paper. As the fight affects every newspaper published in the United States, it is certain to be put up to congress unless private officials of the Canadian mills and representatives of the American publishers are able to come to terms.

Shall We Pet Mad Dogs?

IN the Republic of Mexico, there goes into effect on January 1 a new code of criminal procedure which abolishes the death penalty and trial by jury. This novel code refuses to recognize the principle of equality before the law, on the grounds that every criminal is variously affected by his mental state, education, environment, social status, and other factors. Possibly, also by his tonsils, adenoids, liver and appendix.

The inauguration of such a system so near home has brought joy and happiness to the hearts of those psychiatrists and psychologists who have long contended for a similar code in the United States—to be administered, incidentally, by psychologists and psychiatrists. We are told that what we need is less rigorous punishment for youthful offenders and definite methods of reclamation for all criminals.

There can be no question that our criminal system is inadequate. But the responsibility for this inadequacy cannot justly be placed on the jury, nor can the delinquency be remedied by the abolition of this form of trial. If any portion of our court system is to be reformed, it should be, rather, those methods of court procedure which enable the shyest element of the legal profession to practice their trickery and to avail themselves of "technicalities" in such a way as to extend interminably and inexorably the period between the passing and execution of sentences. It is this phase of our law enforcement today which offers a fertile field to the cunning and unscrupulous of the legal fraternity, and which lends so much uncertainty to our methods of justice as to create that disrespect for law for which our country is notorious.

Our need is not for more leniency in law, but for faster justice, surer convictions, and greater certainty that the sentences meted out will be served. It is these things which the criminal fears, and which are the genuine deterrents of crime. Great Britain's experience offers the most outstanding evidence of this truth. Two Southern states have, in the past few months, definitely stamped out crime waves by the simple procedure of assessing maximum penalties in all cases. If their ideas were wrong, they at least were effective.

No intelligent man doubts that criminals are afflicted with morbid mentalities, psychological distortions, twisted brains. But to say that they should be turned free because these have led to crime is as senseless and idiotic as to advocate that we allow rabid dogs to run at large because of their "mental irresponsibility." Poisonous snakes are normally responsible, too; and it might not be amiss if some of our soft-hearted reformers petted a few of them.

The criminal of low mentality and crooked intelligence is no less permanently mad. And all of the psychologists and psychiatrists in the world cannot raise that mental level or unhook that twisted mind.

There are laws and agencies aplenty for the protection of the criminal and the guarantee of his rights. Too many of it is time now that a few steps be taken for the protection of the public and the guarding of its rights.—Holland's.



WASHINGTON LETTER

By RODNEY DUTCHER

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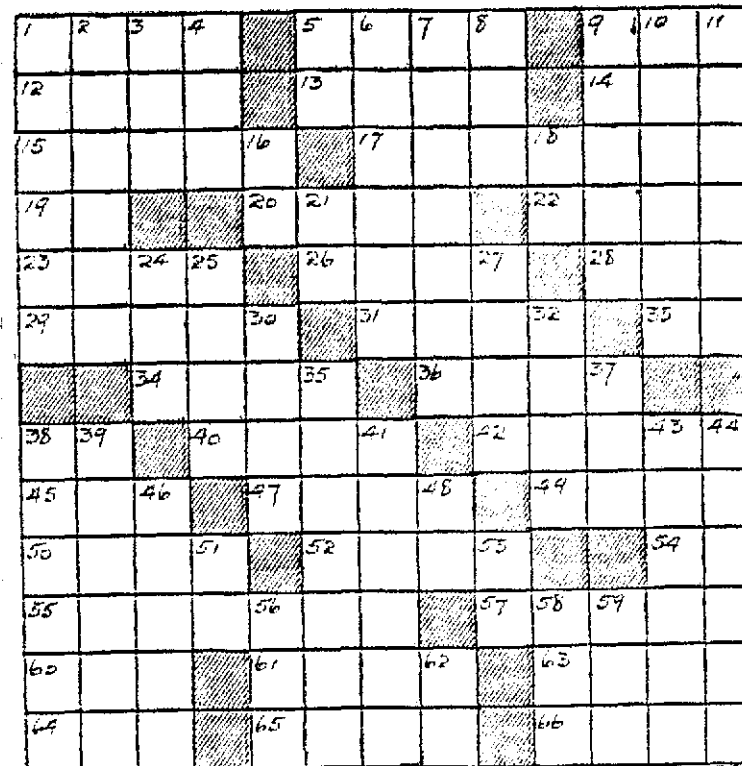
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Today's Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS
1. Place in dirt
2. Part of a church
3. High mountain
4. To
5. Lively insect
6. Afternoon
7. Heads
8. Leave out
9. Son of Seth
10. Building alias
11. Belonging to the air
12. Before
13. Hurled forth suddenly
14. Individual performance
15. Termination of the past particle
16. Kestrel
17. One of an early breed of dwarf cattle
18. Promotion
19. Round shoulder
20. Cries out
21. Jumps
22. Dry measure
23. Animal flesh
24. One who mimics

DOWN
1. Little
2. Contrite
3. Singsong call
4. Front to the foot
5. Assimilated form of ad
6. Truism
7. Fiction
8. Storm
9. As far as
10. Jargon
11. Day window
12. Ever
13. Polished house
14. Opposite of
15. Opposite of
16. Pen
17. Flower stalk
18. Jester
19. Feminine name
20. Went by
21. True
22. Part of a body
23. State of a Union; a ship
24. Wine cask
25. Box
26. Kind of soil
27. Journey
28. Entry in no account
29. Highest mountain in the world
30. Beverage
31. Incubator
32. Lover in an echelon
33. Card game
34. Kind of soil
35. Neck piece
36. Singular
37. Plant of the family
38. Thin
39. Sun and
40. Sensitive
41. Thine
42. Adjective termination
43. Square of type



News of Other

SOCIETY

Mrs. Sid Henry Telephone 321

Christmas! We all love the sound and the sing of it; Sinner and saint, and the goddess and good; Hearts of the world all respond to the ring of it— Bringing mankind into one brotherhood. Christmas! All nations rejoice to the thrill of it. Paupers and peasants; the rich and renowned; Spirit of Love—may we bow to the thrill of it. Then we'll have Christmas the whole year round—Selected.

Mrs. R. T. White will present her music pupils in a Duetting Demonstration, Friday evening at 8 o'clock at her home on North Washington street.

Miss Grace Kirk of Dallas, Texas, will arrive Friday to spend the Christmas holidays visiting with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Taylor.

Mrs. H. A. West will have as Christmas guests, Mr. and Mrs. Will H. West of Edwardsville, Ill.

Master Frank Howson of Ashdown is the guest of his grandmother, Mrs. H. Barlow.

Miss Elizabeth Birdwell returned Tuesday from an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Robert Veeney and Lieut. Veeney in St. Louis, Mo.

Dr. Alice Barlow Brown will arrive the last of the week from Paris, France, to spend the holiday season visiting with Mrs. M. H. Barlow and other relatives.

Mrs. Tully Henry will present the following music pupils in recital Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at the Elks Club. Misses Darleen Sanford, Reba Blitick, Elizabeth Hendricks, Mary Louise Keith, Winnie Lee Floyd, Opal Garner, Harriet Ann Pritchard, Norma Turner, Marilyn Ward, Genevieve Hastings, Marygrove Higgins, Naomi Osteen, Avil Fuller, Bobbie Nell Martin, Mary Sue Russell, Josephine Carman, Fern Garner, assisted by Hilburn Graves and Conner Roulton on Saxophone. The public is cordially invited.

Miss Mary Lee Barnaw of Houston, Texas, will arrive Friday to spend Christmas holidays visiting with grandmother, Mrs. M. H. Barlow.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Malone and family left yesterday for Stamps where they will make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Berkson of New York City, will arrive Friday to spend the Christmas holidays visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ed McCorkle. Mrs. Berkson will be remembered as Miss Mary Hortense McCorkle.

Mrs. John Spragins, Jr. and little son of Little Rock, arrived yesterday to spend the Christmas holidays visiting with Mrs. George Spragins.

Mrs. Marie McCorkle left Saturday for Little Rock to spend Christmas visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Tom Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. McCorkle.

Mrs. Presley Allen Thorne and Mrs. Richard Thomas White have issued invitations for an at home on Friday December 27, 29 N. Washington St. to meet Mrs. Howard Morrow of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Misses Frances Patterson and Elizabeth Green of Galloway College, Seely, will arrive Friday night to spend the Christmas holidays visiting with home folks.

Miss Evelyn Johnson of Stevens College, Columbia, Mo., will arrive Friday.

Real Home Made CHILLI MORELAND'S
Drug Store and Confectionery

Rain Didn't Stop 'Em From Seeing and Hearing This Song Masterpiece!

Crowds are laughing at Al's jokes, crying at his sorrows and applauding his singing in this story that is as human as the day is long. You'll love it!

—Added—
Sound Fable "Dinner Time"

Al Jolson
"SAY IT WITH SONGS"
With **Davey Lee**
Marian Nixon • Kenneth Thompson
Holmes Herbert • Fred Kohler
Directed by LLOYD BACON

THE PUBLIX THEATRE
Christmas Tree Free! Next Saturday night to the one holding lucky number. Save your stubs!

Fairest Teacher



Here's visible proof the old-fashioned, stern-visaged schoolma'am is passing. And we'll venture a guess that there is a heavy enrollment in class taught by Miss Virginia Gurley, above, of Suffolk, Va., when she begins her career. Miss Gurley was elected the most beautiful student at State Teachers' College at Farmville, Va., in a recent contest.

day morning to spend the holidays visiting with her mother, Mrs. Allie Johnson.

Miss Clara Miller, from the Patmos community, was in the city today on a shopping expedition.

Jim Bearden was a visitor to Texarkana early today, going down to look after official business.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Eric Turner was hostess to a party of friends at her home on South Elm street last evening, the occasion being a surprise birthday party for Mr. Turner.

Dancing was enjoyed throughout the evening and at a late hour the honoree and guests were carried to the Checkered Cafe where a midnight lunch was served.

Friday the 13th His Lucky Day



Friday the 13th was a lucky day for Frederic W. Edell, above, convicted of the murder of a New York actress. Less than an hour before he was to go to the electric chair at Sing Sing prison, a telephone call from the governor brought a reprieve. Friday the 13th was the first day of the stay granted Edell, and now his lawyer has until December 30 to strengthen the new evidence upon which he declares a pardon can be obtained.

Sheriffs Tried In Strikers' Deaths



The "wholesale killing" of six picketing strikers in front of a Marion, N. C., cotton mill is laid to eight deputy sheriffs, pictured above, who are on trial at Burnsville. Sheriff Oscar F. Adkins, shown below at the right, has been exonerated of the second degree murder charges which face his aides. Left to right, top row, are Dave Jarrett, B. L. Bobbins, Jim Owens, W. A. Fender, William Twigg. In the lower row: Taylor Green, Robert Ward, C. L. Tate and Sheriff Adkins.

CENTER POINT NEWS

Mrs. Orol Meadows spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. O. B. Hodnett. Little Miss Kathleen Reeves spent Sunday with Mary Glen Beckham. Miss Callie Hamilton is visiting her sister, Mrs. Edna Meadows.

Miss Ruby Hubbard is home again after staying in the hospital at Shreveport, La. for several months. We hope she will improve soon.

Mrs. Hopson is sick at the home of her daughter, Mrs. O. B. Hodnett. Mr. R. H. Tunstall, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walden and little son J. C. left Sunday for Texas where they will spend several days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Brooks and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Crews and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Richards Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Powell, formerly of this community, are the proud parents of a little daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson and children and Mr. Skinner of Centerville spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Lester Beckham.

Mrs. Press Aslin is on the sick list this week.

Mr. J. M. Sullivan called a few minutes to see his aunt, Mrs. Rachel Arnold Sunday afternoon.

Mary Glen Beckham spent the night with her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richards.

Mr. O. B. Hodnett is still suffering from several broken ribs.

COLUMBUS NEWS

Mrs. J. S. Wilson ar. entertained Thursday afternoon with a donation party, when contributions were received for the orphan's home at Monticello.

E. E. Austin of Hope and Mr. Floyd of the Department of Education, were visitors here Tuesday last week.

W. W. Ellen and Clarence Ellen were recent visitors to Nashville.

Mrs. J. C. Hill is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. R. Dodson at Texarkana.

D. M. Stuart of Hope was in town recently.

Miss Connie Clendenin has returned from a visit with friends at El Dorado.

Lee McCorkle of Mineral Springs was in town last week.

Mrs. J. R. Autrey and Mrs. J. S. Wilson attended a meeting of the County Agents at Hope Tuesday.

Miss Nancy Johnson of Saratoga spent the week end with homefolks here.

Mrs. S. H. Smith of Eldorado, spent the week end with relatives here.

Miss Virgie Caldwell of Kirby, spent the week end with her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Caldwell.

A. L. Prapps of DeQueen was a visitor here Saturday.

Mrs. T. C. Wilson and Betty Jane Mulkey spent Sunday in Hope with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hill.

NEW GRAND

THE BEST FOR LESS
Thursday and Friday

ALL MUSIC
SOUND AND
DIALOGUE



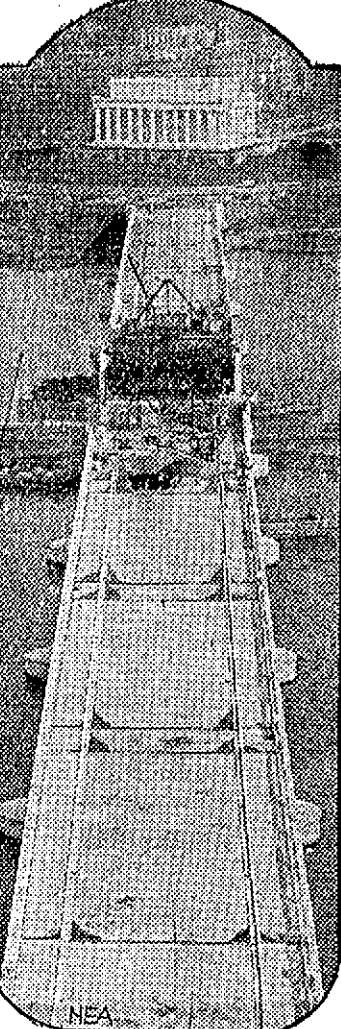
Pathe Picture

Don't fail to see this romance of a Debonair Pirate of the night life of New York—who loves and loses.

—Added—
All Talking Comedy and Pathe News

Admission—
Matinee 10c and 25c
Night 15c and 35c

Memorial Bridge Almost Ready



A new beauty spot at the national capital the Arlington Memorial Bridge which spans the Potomac river from Washington to the Arlington National Cemetery, is shown in this impressive aerial view as it nears completion. The Lincoln Memorial can be seen in the background.

largest number issued to any county, and Baxter county received the smallest number, 2,100.

Connie Franklin

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two or three hours later and went first to the Rummier home and then to the Herman Greenway home.

J. P. Gane From Home
That night, he testified, he and Tiller started to the home of Fills Ford, a Justice of the Peace, to be married. They stopped at the S. H. Greenway home and learned there that Ford

was away. Then they returned to Herman Greenway's where they spent the night, he going to bed and the girl sitting up.

"The next morning," he said, "Tiller told me she wanted to put off the wedding until fall. I told her it was no use to do that and she said, well, I want to. I walked across the porch and called her over. She told me if I had anything to say I had better say it now because she was through. I told her well, I'm through too, and walked out the gate and started after my cap which I had lost the day before and just kept on going."

Traces Movement
He told where he spent the first night and then continued to trace his movements from that time until he was found at Humphreys 10 days ago. In concluding the direct questioning the defense asked: "Then it is not true that you were beaten and burned to death one night last March?" "Well, I don't look like it, do I?" he replied amid laughter.

Antlers, Junior Elks

(Continued from page one)

one whom Santa probably won't find, just pass that word along to us as well.

Following is a list of those contributing since yesterday:
Clyde Constant\$1.00
Dr. F. A. Buddin1.00
Francis Dawson1.00
Basil Newton1.00
L. D. Reed1.00
Dr. J. L. Luck1.00
Mrs. L. A. Foster1.00
Harry Bryant1.00
W. B. Mason1.00
Geo. M. Green1.00
C. E. Baker1.00
Lynn L. Smith1.00
R. A. Boyett1.00

Mrs. Frank Hicks1.00
George Sandefur1.00
T. T. Duke1.00
Joe D. Brown1.00
Chas. E. Taylor1.00
Thompson Evans1.00
J. E. Collins1.00
Mrs. J. E. Collins1.00
Erle Turner1.00
C. J. Oglesby1.00
Order of Antlers10.00

Santa Claus Letters

Hope Arkansas.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a wrist watch and some story books, a bicycle, a set of glass dishes, a doll, a doll buggy, and a book satchel and nuts, oranges, apples and fruit.

Your little friend,
Alice C. Gibson.
Hope Arkansas.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a bicycle and a BB gun and an electric train, and cowboy suit and a soldier suit, and a tool chest. I have been a good boy, and will go to bed early.

Your little friend,
Thomas.
Hope Arkansas.

Dear Santa Claus:
I want a cowboy hat, a Texas saddle, a watch, and some fireworks.

Your little friend,
Robert Singleton.
Hope Arkansas.

Dear Santa Claus:
Please bring me a raincoat, blackboard, so that I may get my lessons better at night, apples, candy, nuts and oranges. Don't forget my school teacher. She is good to me. Bring her something cute. Don't forget my mother, father, brother and sister.

Mary Dell Taylor.
Hope Arkansas.

Hope Arkansas.
Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy seven years old. Please bring me a pair of skates, train, pair of gloves, raincoat, some apples.

Your little friend,
Billy Wallace.
Hope Arkansas.

Dear Santa Claus:
I am a little boy eight years old. I want you to please bring me a wagon, candy, apples, oranges and nuts.

John Howard Brown.
WANTED—Wood burning range stove. F. L. Padgett, Hope, Arkansas. General delivery. 18-k2lp.

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We have them, to fit your dress—and you won't get stuck on the price.

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Reduced prices on our stock of diamond rings! Now is the time to buy!

\$22.50 Diamond Rings,\$18.00
\$30.00 Diamond Rings,\$25.00
\$40.00 Diamond Rings,\$32.50
\$60.00 Diamond Rings,\$50.00
\$75.00 Diamond Rings,\$65.00
\$100.00 Diamond Rings,\$90.00

WEDDING RINGS—ON SALE

18 Karat Wedding Rings,
5 Diamonds\$24.00
18 Karat Wedding Rings,
10 Diamonds\$38.00

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Give a Gruen Watch for Christmas. They are in a class by themselves as fine, high grade watches. In our opinion as a jeweler and watch repairer, they are the best watches made—anywhere.

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26 piece set—Paul Revere pattern—a charming Christmas gift. \$39.00 set, reduced to.

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26 piece set in the Queen Best pattern. A lasting Christmas gift. Specially reduced to

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Salad plates. A gift to charm the heart of the fastidious woman, set of six now only

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In this beautiful, light pink coloring. Specially reduced. Set of six, now

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In the same, beautiful and colorful pattern. Now on sale, set of six

\$2.40

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Election February 25, 1930.

For Mayor
The Star is authorized to announce the candidacy of Claude Stuart for Mayor of Hope, subject to the action of the Democratic city primary February 25.

The Star is authorized to announce
the candidacy of A. L. Belts for Mayor of Hope, subject to the action of the Democratic city primary February 25.

The Star is authorized to announce
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SARAH McEACHRAN, ASSIGNEE, PLAINTIFF, VS.
ROLAND ELLIOTT, ET AL., DEFENDANTS.
The defendant, The American Investment Company, a corporation, is warned to appear in the Hempstead County Circuit Court within thirty days and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, Sarah McEachran, a single.

WITNESS my hand as clerk of said

OUT OUR WAY



The Avenging Parrot

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THIS HAS HAPPENED
Mrs. Emma Hogarth, who lived in Mrs. Rhodes' boarding house, is strangled to death between 11:45 and 12:15 Saturday night, June 29. Assisting Lieut. Strawn in the investigation is Bonnie Dundee, "cub" detective. Emil Sevier, former boarder, whom Mrs. Hogarth accused of trying to rob her, is sought.

Cora Barker, theatre pianist, thought to have had an affair with Sevier, is arrested as a material witness. Other boarder suspects are: Henry Dowd, Norma Paige, Walter Styles, who had quarreled with Mrs. Hogarth; Bert Magnus, amateur scenario writer, and Daisy Shepherd.

Bonnie learns from papers in Mrs. Hogarth's trunk that the Sally Graves wrote her once a month was her daughter, and that she lived in dread of being found by Dan Griffin, Sally's husband. Recalling the mysterious details of Sally's murder in New York June 2, Dundee concludes Griffin murdered both women and that he is now or has been a boarder in the Rhodes house.

Dundee is excited over his find of an old envelope with Dowd's name on it, which had contained a rail ticket, showing he left New York June 3. Sevier, captured by police, insists he did not murder Mrs. Hogarth and implicates Cora. Dundee goes for Cora, who is to confront Sevier and finds her dead, strangled with her own braids of hair. Sevier is accused of both crimes.

An old rail-ticket envelope with Dowd's name on it showing he left New York June 3, involves Dowd. Bonnie goes to Magnus' room and finds a letter which interests him. On sudden inspiration he wires an optician of Riverside, Calif., Magnus' home town.

CHAPTER XLVII

The answer to the telegram to Chaucer Smith, Optician, Riverside, California, came at 10 o'clock on Friday morning, bringing a new luster to eyes heavy with doubt and sleeplessness. And thereafter, for 12 hours, no one could have accused Bonnie Dundee, novice detective, of being a lazy man, or one incapable of moving his long legs swiftly.

Among his activities was the filing in person of long telegrams at his own expense, so that their content and the information they elicited would not become the property of any curious mind at Police Headquarters.

Four times that busy day a telephone messenger rang the Rhodes house bell, and three times Dundee was awaiting him to snatch the envelope with avid fingers. When a telegram came about three, however, it was Mrs. Rhodes who accepted the message, having been warned to guard it with her life until the addressee returned from a momentous interview.

He came back accompanied by a keen-eyed, sharp-faced young man, who had been getting his daily dozen during a heated hour with Dundee, by alternately nodding and shaking his head with great vigor. A most opinionated young man, but one who undoubtedly knew his stuff. Questions when he saw an excited detective committing unlawful entry by means of a most efficient skeleton key.

"Look at this!" Dundee cried exultantly, when the door of another man's room had closed upon the two. And he handed over the message which Mrs. Rhodes had signed for. "I guess that clinches it, doesn't it? You said it he'd had that training, he could do it!"

"Humm," said the head-shaker-and-nodder, but nodding this time. And then he got busy, uttering "Hums" and "Well, wells," interlarded with occasional sharp exclamations of admiration.

Finally he arose, dusted his hands and the seal thereof, on this 18th day of December, 1929.

WILLIE HARRIS, Clerk of the Hempstead County Chancery Court. 18-24.

By Williams

needle and some white thread, too." "If you've got any mending to do, I guess I can do it for you," she assured him.

"Your stitches would be far too neat!" he refused gaily, "but I'll remember your offer when I cast a button!"

"Well, how are you coming on?" Lieutenant Strawn greeted his newest recruit rather sourly at 11 o'clock on Saturday.

"You'd be surprised!" Dundee grinned. "Is it all fixed up with the district attorney to keep the boarders tied up all afternoon in his office? I'll wreck my plans if they buzz around the house this half-holiday."

"He'll keep 'em busy, quizzing 'em about Sevier and the Hogarth case, all right," Strawn promised. "But I'd like to know what the devil you're up to anyway. Seems to me you're either lying down on the job or being damned mysterious."

"The later, chief, though I'm not being mysterious just for the fun of the thing," Dundee assured him. "There really isn't much to tell yet, though I haven't been lazy. The truth is, I've got a pot on the fire which I'd like you to bring to a boil for me tonight."

"How?" "For 30 minutes Dundee explained, without, however, giving away to his chief the contents of the pot which he hoped would boil over that evening. It was not an easy task, but he left Police Headquarters with Lieutenant Strawn's unwilling and puzzled promise of assistance.

At five minutes to eight that Saturday evening Bonnie Dundee was pretending as much surprise and indignation as any other boarder when Lieutenant Strawn, assisted by Detective Payne and Wilkins, brusquely ordered all inmates of the Rhodes House to the second floor.

"Where is he going to hold the meeting?" Dundee heard Norma Paige quaver. "In—in Mrs. Hogarth's room?"

Strawn himself answered the question by commanding curtly: "Open your door, Styles. . . . Oh, it's not locked. . . . Come in, everybody, and make yourself comfortable."

"I fail to see why my room was chosen if you want us to make ourselves comfortable," Walter Styles retorted angrily. "It's too small—"

"Bring some chairs, boys," Strawn ordered the two plainclothesmen. "Five or six. The others can sit on the bed."

When his order had been carried out and the Rhodes House residents had seated themselves, he looked about the small room sternly. "Everyone here? Answer to your names, please." He consulted a slip of paper: "Mrs. Coroline Rhodes. Mr. Rhodes. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sharp. Miss Norma Paige. Mr. Walter Styles. Mr. Henry Dowd. Mr. Herbert S. Magnus. Miss Daisy Shepherd. Miss Matilda Brown. . . . Is that everyone who belongs in the house, Mrs. Rhodes?"

"All but the cook, and you said she could go home," Mrs. Rhodes answered.

Dowd, Magnus and Dundee had seated themselves on the bed, which was along the wall in which the door was set. The door was open. The others occupied chairs. Walter sitting with his arm about Norma's shoulders.

"I shall not keep you long, folks," Lieutenant Strawn began, from his position beside the open window. "The truth is, I want you to help me. First I must tell you about some new evidence that has just come to light. Five years ago a Mrs. Emma Harkness and her daughter, Mrs. Daniel Thomas Griffin, fled from their home in Belton, Missouri, a few hours before the police were notified that Griffin, the son-in-law and husband, had robbed the bank in which he worked of \$10,000. Griffin was never caught, and for five years young Mrs. Griffin lived in New York under the name of Sally Graves, and Mrs. Harkness lived in this house as Mrs. Emma Hogarth. On June 2 Sally Graves or Griffin was murdered. On June 29 Mrs. Harkness or Hogarth, was strangled to death in

this house. In the early morning of July 3 Cora Barker was also murdered by strangulation."

Lieutenant Strawn paused, his face stoical, as exclamations, shudders and half-uttered questions filled the room. Dundee glanced at the two men sitting beside him. Neither face betrayed anything but horrified surprise.

Lieutenant Strawn went on: "I have reason to believe that Dan Griffin committed all three of these fiendish crimes, and that he is or has been a boarder in this house! . . . Wait!" he commanded sharply. "Let me describe him: Five years ago Dan Griffin was 30 years old, of medium height and build, with light brown or reddish blond hair, light eyes of hazel or gray; was neither handsome nor ugly, but of extremely ordinary appearance. I'm asking you now, and I want you to consider carefully before answering: Is such a man known to any of you, either as a present boarder, a former boarder or as a transient 'mealer' in this house?"

The question was such a bombshell that it was greeted with profound silence. Mr. and Mrs. Sharp, Walter Styles and Daisy Shepherd craned their heads to cast fearful, speculative glances at Henry Dowd. But no one spoke.

As the horror-laden silence throbbed on, Dundee raised his handkerchief to his brow, as if to wipe away cold beads of perspiration. A shadow which had lain across the floor outside the open door wavered disappeared.

A few seconds later, when that silence was becoming too terrible a thing to be borne, it was broken by the tap, tap, tap of a typewriter.

With a horse oath Bert Magnus sprang from the bed, lunged toward the door. "Who the hell is using my typewriter?" he snarled thickly.

The shadow of a man again lay across the open door, as Dundee followed the enraged canary writer who was plunging toward the door of the next room. The tap, tap, tap went steadily on.

As Bert Magnus tore at the knob, Dundee laid his hand upon his shoulder.

"Griffin, there is no one in your room now, just as there was no one in there last Saturday night when your wolverine-law was being murdered. No one but—the perfect stenographer!"

(To Be Concluded)

DAVEY LIKES NEW PLAY

MAMMA NEXT TO UNCLE AL
Davey Lee found room in his heart for another favorite during the making of "Say It With Songs," Warner Brothers new all-talking and singing Jolson picture, now showing at the Saenger Theatre.

Marian Nixon, his "play mama" in the story, won her way quickly into the affections of the child and the result was a realistic mother and son relationship in the picture.

All of this was the more remarkable because Davey has long since taken his "Uncle Al" who discovered him and who has never given up his great affection for Davey—very much into the family. Davey consequently has his "play mama" and his "play daddy"—who is also his "Uncle Al" off the set as well as a very real mother and father.

Perhaps a little good natured rivalry developed between Mr. Jolson and Miss Nixon over Davey's attentions, and if so this only adds to the realism in the tender story. "Say It With Songs."

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—Adv.

"THE NEW HOPE NEWS"

Mrs. Ada Polk, accompanied by her daughter Relda Mae and son, Corley, spent Friday night with Mrs. Margaret Haire from Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy from DeAnn moved in our community the past week.

Mr. Guy Watkins of Oakland, spent Sunday with Mr. Reece Arrington. We are really sorry to hear that Mrs. Ben Cox, mother, sister and brother are going to move soon, but we invite them back to our Sunday school and church every Sunday.

Mr. Clyde Ross and wife of Valley Mills, Texas, will spend the holidays with his father, Mr. John Ross.

Mr. Charlie Ross and family of Homer, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ross of this place.

There will be a Christmas tree here at the church Christmas Eve night. Everyone is invited to come.

There was a bunch from this place that attended stunt night at Washington last Thursday night and they reported it was real good.

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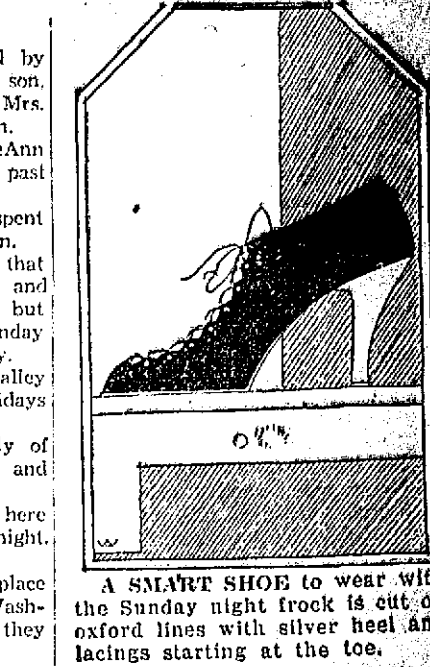
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A Christmas Carol

By Charles Dickens

(Continued from page one)

pleasant time; the only time I know of, in the long calendar of the year, when men and women seem by one consent to open their shut-up hearts freely, and to think of people below them as if they really were fellow-passengers to the grave, and not another race of creatures bound on other journeys. And therefore uncle, though it has never put a scrap of gold or silver in my pocket, I believe that it has done me good, and will do me good; and I say, God bless it!"

The clerk in the tank involuntarily applauded. Becoming immediately sensible of the impropriety, he poked the fire, and extinguished the last common comforts, sir."

"Are there no prisons?" asked asked Scrooge.

"Plenty of prisons," said the gentleman, lying down the pen again.

"And the Union workhouses?" demanded Scrooge. "Are they still in operation?"

"They are. Still," returned the gentleman. "I wish I could say they were not."

"The Treadmill and the Poor Law are in full vigor, then?" said Scrooge.

"Both very busy, sir."

"Oh! I was afraid, from what you said at first, that something had occurred to stop them in their useful course," said Scrooge. "I am very glad to hear it."

to buy the beef.

Foggier yet, and colder! Piercing, searching, biting cold. If the good St. Dunstan had but nipped the Evil Spirit's nose with a touch of such weather as that, instead of using his familiar weapons, then indeed he would have roared to lusty purpose. The owner of one scant young nose, gnawed and numbed by the hungry cold as bones are gnawed by dogs, stooped down at Scrooge's keyhole to regale him with a Christmas carol; but, at the first sound of

"Good bless you, merry gentleman, May nothing you dismay!"

Scrooge seized the ruler with such energy of action that the singer fled in terror, leaving the keyhole to the



"A merry Christmas, uncle! God save you!" It was the voice of Scrooge's nephew . . . "Bah!" said Scrooge. "Humbug!"

trail spark for ever.

"Let me hear another sound from you," said Scrooge, "and you'll keep your Christmas by losing your situation! You're quite a powerful speaker, sir," he added, turning to his nephew. "I wonder you don't go into Parliament."

"Don't be angry, uncle. Come! Dine with us tomorrow."

Scrooge said that he would see him—Yes, indeed he did. He went the whole length of the expression, and said that he would see him in that extremity first.

"But why?" cried Scrooge's nephew. "Why?"

"Why did you get married?" said Scrooge.

"Because I fell in love."

"Because you fell in love!" growled Scrooge, as if that were the only one thing in the world more ridiculous than a merry Christmas. "Good afternoon!"

"Nay, uncle, but you never came to see me before that happened. Why give it as a reason for not coming now?"

"Good afternoon," said Scrooge.

"I want nothing from you; I ask nothing of you; why cannot we be friends?"

"Good afternoon!" said Scrooge.

"I am sorry, with all my heart, to find you so resolute. We have never had any quarrel to which I have been a party. But I have made the trail in homage to Christmas, and I'll keep my Christmas humor to the last. So A Merry Christmas, uncle!"

"Good afternoon," said Scrooge.

"And O Happy New Year!"

"Good afternoon!" said Scrooge.

His nephew left the room without an angry word, notwithstanding. He stopped at the outer door to bestow the greetings of the season on the clerk, who, cold as he was, was warmer than Scrooge; for he returned them cordially.

"There's another fellow," muttered Scrooge, who overheard him: "my clerk, with 15 shillings a week, and a wife and family, talking about a merry Christmas. I'll retire to Bedlam."

This lunatic in letting Scrooge's nephew out, had let two other people in. They were portly gentlemen, pleasant to behold, and now stood, with their hats off, in Scrooge's office. They had books and papers in their hands and bowed to him.

"Scrooge and Marley's, I believe," said one of the gentlemen, referring to his list. "Have I the pleasure of addressing Mr. Scrooge, or Mr. Marley?"

"Mr. Marley has been dead these seven years," Scrooge replied. "He died seven years ago, this very night."

"We have no doubt his liberality is well represented by his surviving partner," said the gentleman, presenting his credentials.

It certainly was; for they had been two kindred spirits. At the ominous word "liberality" Scrooge frowned, and shook his head, and handed the credentials back.

"At this festive season of the year, Mr. Scrooge," said the gentleman, taking up a pen, "it is more than usually desirable that we should make some slight provision for the poor and destitute, who suffer greatly at the present time. Many thousands are in want of common necessities; hundreds of thousands are in want of

"Under the impression that they scarcely furnish Christian cheer of mind or body to the multitude," returned the gentleman, "a few of us are endeavoring to raise a fund to buy the Poor some meat and drink, and warmth. We choose this time, because it is a time, of all others, when Want is keenly felt, and Abundance rejoices. What shall I put you down for?"

"Nothing!" Scrooge replied.

"You wish to be anonymous?"

"I wish to be left alone," said Scrooge. "Since you ask me what I wish, gentlemen, that is my answer. I don't make money myself at Christmas, and I can't afford to make idle people merry. I help to support the establishment I have mentioned—they cost enough; and those who are badly off must go there."

"Many can't go there; and many would rather die."

"If they would rather die," said Scrooge, "they had better do it, and decrease the surplus population. Besides—excuse me—I don't know that."

"But you might know it," observed the gentleman.

"It's not my business," Scrooge returned. "It's enough for a man to understand his own business, and not to interfere with other people's. Mine occupies me constantly. Good afternoon, gentlemen!"

Seeing clearly that it would be useless to pursue their point, the gentlemen withdrew. Scrooge resumed his labors with an improved opinion of himself, and in a more facetious temper than was usual with him.

Meanwhile the fog and darkness thickened so, that people ran about with flaring links, proffering their services to go before horses in carriages, and conduct them to their way. The ancient tower of a church, whose giddy old bell was always peeping shyly down at Scrooge out of a Gothic window in the wall, became invisible, and struck the hours and quarters in the clouds, with tremulous vibrations afterwards, as if its teeth were chattering in its frozen head up there. The cold became intense. In the main street, at the corner of the court, some laborers were repairing the gas pipes, and had lighted a great fire in a brazier, round which a party of ragged men and boys were gathered, warming their hands and winking their eyes before the blaze in rapture. The water-pipe being left in solitude, its overflows suddenly congealed, and turned to misanthropic ice. The brightness of the shops, where holly sprigs and berries crackled in the lamp heat of the windows, made pale faces rudely as they passed. Poulterers' and grocers' trades became a splendid joke; a glorious pageant, with which it was next to impossible to believe that such dull principles as bargain and sale had anything to do. The Lord Mayor, in the stronghold of the mighty Mansion House, gave orders to his fifty cooks and butlers to keep Christmas as a Lord Mayor's household should; and even the little tailor, whom he had fined five shillings on the previous Monday for being drunk and blood-thirsty in the streets, stirred up tomorrow's pudding in his garret, while his lean wife and the baby called out

for, and even more congenial frost. At length the hour of shutting up the counting house arrived. With an ill-will Scrooge dismounted from his stool, and tacitly admitted the fact to the expectant clerk in the tank, who instantly snuffed his candle out, and put on his hat.

"You'll want all day tomorrow, I suppose?" said Scrooge.

"I quite convenient, sir."

"It's not convenient," said Scrooge, "and it's not fair. If I was to stop half-a-crown for it, you'd think yourself ill used, I'll be bound!"

The clerk smiled faintly.

"And yet," said Scrooge, "you don't think me ill used when I pay a day's wages for no work."

The clerk observed that it was only once a year.

"A poor excuse for picking a man's pocket every twenty-fifth of December!" said Scrooge, buttoning his great coat to the chin. "But I suppose you must have the whole day. Be here all the earlier next morning."

The clerk promised that he would; and Scrooge walked out with a growl.

Scrooge took his melancholy dinner in his usual melancholy tavern; and having read all the newspapers, and beguiled the rest of the evening with his banker's book, went home to bed. He lived in chambers which had once belonged to his deceased partner. They were a gloomy suite of rooms, in a lowering pile of building up a yard, where it had so little business to be, that one could scarcely help fancying it must have run there when it was a young house, playing at hide-and-seek with other houses, and have forgotten the way out again. It was old enough now, and dreary enough; for nobody lived in it but Scrooge, the other rooms being all let out as offices. The yard was so dark that even Scrooge, who knew its every stone, was fain to grope with his hands. The fog and frost so hung about the black old gateway of the house, that it seemed as if the Genius of the Weather sat in mournful meditation on the threshold.

Now, it is a fact that there was nothing at all particular about the knocker on the door, except that it was very large. It is also a fact that Scrooge had seen it, night and morning, during his whole residence in that place; also that Scrooge had as little of what is called fancy about him as any man in the City of London, even including—which is a bold word—the corporation aldermen, and every Let it also be borne in mind that Scrooge had not bestowed one thought on Marley since his last mention of his seven-years-dead partner that afternoon. And then let any man explain to me, if he can, how it happened that Scrooge, having his key in the lock of the door, saw in the knocker, without its undergoing any intermediate process of change—not a knocker but Marley's face.

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